## Cultural and Historic Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes March 11, 2014

The Bethany Beach Cultural and Historic Affairs Committee held a meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 in the Bethany Beach Town Meeting Room, 214 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach, DE 19930.

Members present: Carol Olmstead, who presided; Carole Calef; Vicky Drury; Theo Loppatto; Julie Malewski, Events Director/Media Coordinator; Mary Lou McNerney, and Margaret Young.

Excused members: Cathy Davis, Jan Kinsella, and Mary Lou Urquhart.

Also present: Lindsey Good, Administrative Secretary.

#### Call to Order

Ms. Olmstead called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

#### Approval of Minutes from February 11, 2014

Ms. Loppatto made a motion to approve the minutes dated February 11, 2014. The motion was seconded by Ms. Young and unanimously approved.

#### Announcements

- Ms. Olmstead reported that the Cultural Evening (Concert for Carolyn) on February 13<sup>th</sup> was a great success. She thanked the Committee members for all their help with this event.
- At the end of the meeting, Ms. Olmstead asked the Committee members to record the addresses
  of any possible historical homes deserving a historical plaque in Town, and to report back at the
  next CHAC meeting.

## **Update on Committee Projects**

Museum

Ms. Olmstead, Ms. McNerney and Ms. Young spent time organizing the Museum.

## Town Hall Pictures

Ms. Loppatto showed the Committee members a catalog with a variety of different labels. She noted that there is one label that screws into the walls. Ms. Drury mentioned that she went to a framing store in Rehoboth.

Ms. Olmstead advised that they also go to Michael to see what options are available.

#### News Articles

This project is currently on hold.

## Preview of Second Oral History Project DVD

The Committee viewed the second DVD of the Oral History Project. This DVD is about an hour long, and it was noted that less pictures are displayed than the first DVD that was viewed at the last meeting.

## Discussion Regarding Availability of the Oral History Project for the Public

Ms. Olmstead stated that she has been in contact with Ray Disney regarding creating copies of the Oral History Project DVD. She explained that the Town's I.T. Manager, Daniel Kenney, informed her that he

has the software to make copies of the DVD's, however, it may be worth paying Mr. Disney to do it, since he will include a cover with each DVD for the price of \$15 per copy.

Ms. Malewski suggested that the Committee could take orders from individuals who would like to purchase the Oral History DVD's and have an equivalent number of copies created, instead of having a large quantity of them made at once. Ms. Olmstead stated that this is a great idea.

The Committee discussed modifying the credits that is currently on the DVD cover that Mr. Disney created. They would like the text on the top of the cover changed to "Presented by Town of Bethany Beach Cultural and Historic Affairs Committee" and the text on the bottom to read "Recorded by Ray Disney of Sonority Records and edited by Laren Hughes".

Ms. Young suggested that each of the two DVDs list the names of the interviewees. The Committee agreed that this is a good idea.

Ms. Olmstead is going to discuss the recommended changes with Mr. Disney. She will also discuss this with the Town Manager, Cliff Graviet.

Ms. Olmstead stated that the interviewees should be provided a copy of the Oral History Project, which will cost about two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Dan Kenney is also going to download the DVDs onto the kiosk in the lobby and possibly add a link of the video to the Town's website.

# Discussion Regarding July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Periers' Day

Ms. Olmstead explained that the Committee will have to think of ideas for this year's Periers' Day celebration on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

She mentioned that the author of the book "Punkin Chunkin" contacted her inquiring about writing a book on Periers' Day. There would be no charge for her to write it, however, the Committee would be responsible for covering the cost of publishing it. The cost of publishing one-thousand copies would be about \$5,000. The Committee members expressed that it would be a great idea to have a book about Periers' Day published, and will need to brainstorm ideas on this year's event.

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Lindsey Good, Admin. Secretary